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Washington, DC 20201

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Mr. Kurt Knickrehm, Director Arkansas Department of Human Services Division of Medical Services P.O. Box 1437, Slot S401 Little Rock, Arkansas 72203-1437

Dear Mr. Knickrehm:

We are pleased to inform you that Arkansas' request for a three-year extension of the section 1115 Medicaid demonstration project for family planning services, project number 11-W-0074/6, has been approved. The extension will run from the period of December 1, 2002, to November 30, 2005.

Our approval of this demonstration (and the Federal matching funds provided thereunder) is contingent upon compliance with the enclosed Special Terms and Conditions (STCs). These STCs also define the nature, character, and extent of anticipated Federal involvement in the project. This award is subject to our receiving your written acceptance of the award and STCs within 30 days of the date of this letter.

Under authority of section 1115(a)(2) of the Social Security Act, the following expenditures that would otherwise not be regarded as expenditures under section 1903 of the Act will, for a three-year period beginning from the date of implementation, be regarded as expenditures under the State's Title XIX plan:

Expenditures permitting the State to extend Medicaid eligibility for family planning services to women between the ages of 14-44, with income at or below 200 percent of the Federal Policy Level (FPL).

Your project officer is Dan McCarthy, who may be contacted at (410) 786-2079 or via email at DMcCarthy@cms.hhs.gov. Communications regarding program and administrative matters should be submitted to the project officer at the following address:

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Center for Medicaid and State Operations Family and Children's Health Programs Group Division of Integrated Health Services 7500 Security Boulevard, Mailstop S2-01-16 Baltimore, MD 21244-1850

You may also contact Ms. J.P. Peters in our Dallas Regional Office at (214) 767-2628.

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We extend our congratulations to you on this award and look forward to working with you during the course of the demonstration.

Sincerely,

/s/

Thomas A. Scully

Enclosure

cc: J. P. Peters, CMS Dallas Regional Office